REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner noted that the claims were not properly designated or amended based on the September 28, 2004 claims as entered. Following the Examiner's detailed guidance and comparing the claims in the May 13, 2005 Response and the Claims in the August 5, 2005 Response, the September 28, 2004 claims have been amended herein. It is deemed that the claims as amended herein are properly presented for further examination.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the Application is in condition for allowance based on the previously filed Remarks and materials and reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

Should any extensions of time or fees be necessary in order to maintain this Application in pending condition, appropriate requests are hereby made and authorization is given to debit account # 02-2275.

Respectfully submitted,

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